

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace the paragraph [002] on page 1 in the specification with the following replacement paragraph:

— This patent application claims the benefit of priority of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/429,371, filed November 27, 2002, which is incorporated herein by reference. This patent application is related to a series of other patent applications simultaneously filed with the present application on November 26, 2003. Those other patent applications include U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/721,869 entitled “DATA ELEMENT AND STRUCTURE FOR DATA PROCESSING” and published as U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US 2004/0148587, .”—U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/721,898 entitled “COMPUTERIZED REPLICATION OF DATA OBJECTS” and published as U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US 2004/0153480, .”—and U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/721,426 entitled “METHOD AND SOFTWARE APPLICATION FOR AVOIDING DATA LOSS” and published as U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US 2004/0148447. .”—This patent application and the noted other patent applications have common inventors and are assigned to a common entity. —

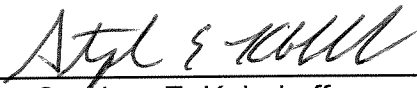
In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and the timely allowance of the pending claims.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

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